

FISCAL NOTE

HB 3022 - SB 2997

February 18, 2002

SUMMARY OF BILL: Deletes the provision which allows a trial judge to set out a written order that an original bond is sufficient when a defendant timely appeals, is placed on pre-trial or post-plea diversion or community correction, is fined or if such defendant's sentence is suspended and probation granted thus requiring all such defendants to make a new bond even if the original bond has not yet terminated.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase Local Govt. Expenditures* - Less than \$100,000

Estimate assumes:

- local governments will experience an increase in expenditures for the additional costs to court clerks to process new bonds under the provisions of the bill. This increase is estimated to be not significant.
- impact on incarceration expenses depends on the number of individuals not able to make a new bond who would be incarcerated under the provisions of the bill who would have been released on their original bond in the absence of the bill. This increase in expenditures is estimated to be less than \$100,000.

**Article II, Section 24 of the Tennessee Constitution provides that: no law of general application shall impose increased expenditure requirements on cities or counties unless the General Assembly shall provide that the state share in the cost.*

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.



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